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Date: December 23, 2003

By:

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OFFICIAL

PATENT
Docket No. GC647-2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)

Rodriguez *et al.*)

Group Art Unit: 1639

Serial No.: 10/008,620)

Examiner: Epperson, Jon D.

Filed: December 4, 2001)

For: Method for Generating a Library of)
Mutant Oligonucleotides Using the)
Linear Cyclic Amplification Reaction)

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following extension of time is requested to respond to the Office Action dated September 4, 2003:

one month to January 4, 2004; the extension fee is \$110.00.

two months to _____; the extension fee is \$420.00.

three months to _____; the extension fee is \$950.00.

four months to _____; the extension fee is \$1,480.00.

five months to _____; the extension fee is \$2,010.00.

The extended time for response does not exceed the statutory period.

[] The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated _____.

[X] Charge \$110.00 to Deposit Account No. 07-1048.

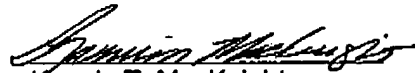
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1048 (Docket No. GC647-2). A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: December 23, 2003


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